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reports that as a result of his meeting with Mr. Aiken, Superintendant of the Highway Department, District of Columbia, he has determined that it would be satisfactory to the District if the temporary buildings which we are to vacate are ready for demolition on 15 October. Accordingly, we could postpone our move to the new building until after Labor Day and still satisfy their deadline. This would be advantageous to us inasmuch as it would permit greater continuity in our move since, if we start on 1 August, there will be a period of about six weeks during which no one will move into the new building. (I discussed this at the Deputies' Meeting on Friday, 28 April, and it was agreed that it would be desirable to postpone our move until after Labor Day. Since Mr. Dulles was not present at this discussion, I have to clear this matter with him.)

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- were up to talk to me about their personnel ceiling and budget situation for Fiscal Years 1962 and 1963. I told them that for budget purposes they should assume that we would continue to have approximately ninety-five funded by Project or other projects of a similar nature. I also want to schedule a meeting with Ed Saunders to discuss this problem further. We do not yet have a satisfactory system for charging the burden which a project of this nature puts on a support office to the Project itself, and it is foolish not to be able to do so since money for the Project comes fairly easily from the Reserve.
- 3. Bob Macy and Frank Ecker were over to talk with me about a study which they are about to make at the President's direction to try to project the general magnitude of our budget through 1966. They left with me a copy of a letter which has gone to most other Government agencies. They will return within a few days with a list of major programs which they think we should study. In the meantime I have asked Ed Saunders to try to draw a similar list for us.
- 4. We have been alerted that there will be large-scale picketing at our head-quarters and possibly at the new building beginning Sunday and continuing for about two weeks. I have discussed this in some detail with Shef Edwards and his Security people and am satisfied that we are taking all the precautions necessary under these circumstances.

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